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FOR AGATT AND SCIATT

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SUBJ: US-USSR AGREEMENT ON AGRICULTURAL COOPERATION

1. USDOC DEPUTY ASSISTANT SEC FOR PRODUCT STANDARDS
F.L. LAQUE AND PROF DR. V.V. BOITSOV, STATE COMMITTEE ON
STANDARDS HAVE DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARDS
FOR COTTON. HOWEVER, SPECIFIC SOVIET AREA OF INTEREST UNCLEAR.
STANDARDS WORK COULD BE DONE IN CLASSIFICATION OF COTTON (GRADE,
STAPLE LENGTH AND MICRONAIRE), COTTON SEED GRADING, COTTON FARM
MACHINERY, TEXTILE MACHINERY, FIBRE QUALITY ETC.

2. REQUEST AGATT OR SCIATT CONTACT BOITSOV FOR CLARIFICATION OF
AREA OF INTEREST AND THEN ASK AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY
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WORKING GROUP CHAIRMAN CHEREPANOV TO BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS

SUBJECT OF COTTON STANDARDS WITH REPS OF USDA AND COMMERCE
DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF WORKING GROUP IN WASHINGTON.

3. LAQUE WILLING TO TAKE ON COTTON STANDARDS UNDER SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY AGREEMENT OR LET USDA TAKE LEAD SINCE BULK OF WORK
WILL PROBABLY INVOLVE USDAO AGENCIES. WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO
DISCUSS WITH CHEREPANOV AND BEGIN WORK TOWARD JOINT DECISION ON WHERE
COTTON STANDARDS PROJECT SHOULD BE PLACED. INGERSOLL

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